

# Exceeding welcome News FROM IRELAND.

Being the Copie of a Letter sent from *Dun-*  
*dalke* to Mr. *Dudley Norton* Esquire,  
Inhabitant at *Nanptwich*, and now resident  
in *L O N D O N*.

Wherein is declared in what condition the Kingdome of  
*Ireland* is at this present.

With true information what victories have been obtained  
against the Rebels in severall parts of that Kingdome,

By

<i>The Earle of Ormond.</i>	}	<i>Sir Richard Greenville.</i>
<i>Sir Henry Tischburne.</i>		<i>Captaine Bartlet.</i>
<i>Sir Christopher Loftus.</i>		<i>Colonel Vavasor.</i>

With others that are the chiefe Commanders of the  
Armie for that service.

*Published for the satisfaction of all those that desire true information  
of the proceedings in that Kingdome, by Authority.*

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Printed for *Henry Fowler.* *Septemb. 2. 1642.*

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Being the Copy of a parchment  
book to the use of the  
University of Cambridge  
in the year 1524.

Which is now in the  
possession of the University

of Cambridge. The book  
contains the history of the  
University of Cambridge

from the year 1524 to the  
year 1584. The book is  
written in Latin and is  
very valuable.

It is one of the best  
copies of the book that  
has been preserved.

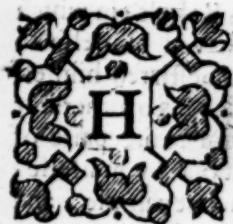
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WELCOME NEWES  
FROM  
IRELAND.



Having received true information from you of the proceedings betwene the King and Parliament in England; in requitall I have thought it necessary to informe you how the case stands with us in Ireland. For the Rebels they increase daily, like *Hydra's* heads; one is no sooner cut off, but there arise three in his place; but God be thanked they want Armes to furnish them; by which meanes (though their Forces are very considerable) they are not invincible; for severall assaults have been made against them, upon great oddes on their side; yet so great is Gods mercy towards us, that notwithstanding their numbers, our handfull have still the victory, comming off with little

losse, they being killed by thousands. For our souldiers, though their habits are poore, yet they have good hearts, for they weigh neither danger nor death, but upon all occasions are forwarder to fall on then their Commanders are to have them.

For example, the Earle of *Ormond* with 5000. Foot and 800. Horse fought with 15000 Rebels neere *Kilkenni*, where the Rebels are incamped, killing at least 3000. with the losse of 60. Foot and 20. Horse.

Sir *Henry Titchbourne* before *Dundalke* fought with *Rorun Maguiers* (brother to the *Leo Maguiers* now prisoner in the Tower) having but three Regiments of Foot and two Troops of Horse, *Maguiers* having above a thousand Rebels: in which fight Sir *Henry Titchbourne* behaved himselfe so valiantly, that had not *Maguiers* bestirred himself very nimbly, he had accompanied his brother: for his valiant followers shewed him a faire paire of heeles, and left him to fight it out by himselfe; which he seeing, followed their example, and ran away for company.

In this battaile there were killed neere 2000. Rebels, 20. Prisoners taken, which were hanged like Rebels as they were. Sir *Christopher Loftus* hath cleared the Coast of *Galway*, it having long time been besieged by the Rebels; but being oft times worsted by the English Forces, and gauled by the often issuing out of the Citizens, they were forced to steale away by night. But Sir *Christopher Loftus* having discovered them, fell upon them  
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on the morrow as they marched towards a wood  
 that was neere adjoyning, thinking there to secure  
 themselves; but seeing themselves intercepted,  
 they fronted the English, who gave them a sower  
 welcome. The English were straight seconded  
 by the Citizens of *Galway*, at whose arrivall the  
 Rebels began to be amazed, and in a confused  
 manner ran into disorder: In which confusion  
 they were cut off so fast that they found the place  
 too hot for their company. Wherefore instead  
 of fighting, they tooke themselves to running,  
 leaving the english and the Citizens of *Galway*  
 to congratulate their happy victory. *Captain Gibs*  
 was lately hard beset at *Garmaston*:  
 being opposed by *Oneale* the great rebell, whose  
 forces were 18000. foote, and 3000. horse. *Cap.*  
*Gibs* having beene abroad relieving severall Ca-  
 stles besieged by the Rebels; and upon his re-  
 treat he made *Garmaston* his quarters intending  
 to stay there a day or two to refresh his men, and  
 to give them time to mend their clothes which  
 were very bad: But *Philome Oneale* having in-  
 teligence that there was a small company of En-  
 glish in *Garmaston* under the command of *Cap.*  
*Gibs*, marched through the wood privately, stea-  
 ling upon the Towne, but being discovered by  
 the English, certain notice was immediately gi-  
 ven to *Captain Gibs*, who sent immediately to  
*Captain Bartley*, who was then in *Limricke Castle*,  
 desiring him to send him some present aid, other-  
 wise he and his men had beene lost. *Philome Oneale*  
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having surprised him in his quarters, nevertheless, Garmaston having a little Castle in it, hee had planted to small field pieces which he would intercept him some small time, likewise placing his men to his best advantage, to offend him and secure himselfe.

This being done as soone as *Philoeme Oneale* came within shot of the Towne, he caused his men to give a generall shoute, which *Oneale* hearing feared some treachery, whereupon hee made a stand, all this while Captain *Gibs* stood not still, for his field pieces and other small shot with the drums made such a confused melody, that the Rebells were almost amazed, fearing that they had beene almost betrayed to death, they not conceiving any other cause of joy could be at such a time so vehemently expressed.

Thus both parties continued shooting for the space of two howers.

Captaine *Gibs* his men shooting at a full body, did doe great execution amongst them, but the rebells shooting at randome scarce frightened the English.

At length Captain *Bartley* with 500. foot and 3. troopes of horse, marched through the wood for the more privacie, and before they were aware clapt just upon the reare of the Rebells, which *Oneale* seeing, caused his men to wheele about, and to front Captain *Bartley*, who having the advantage of the hill, fronted them both (knowing his men to be of an approved courage) and

and gave them a hot charge with musquet bullet. In the meane time Captain *Gibs* drew out his men and planted them just at the bottome of the hill, shooting very fast, so that betweene them they caused them to retreate, discharging on the flanke. Which they having done, being cleare of both the parties of English, they very fairly marched away with speede, with the losse of 500. men. In this Skirmish Captain *Gibs* was shot through the arme with a musquet bullet, and lost neere 100. men

Sir *Richard Greenwel* fought with *Mac-mahaun* neere Munster, *Mac-mahaun* being plundering certaine villages having 3000. foot, and 500. hors; but Sir *Richard Greneville* having not alliegiance went up to the rescue of the Inhabitants, where after 5. houres fight *Macmahanone* having strengthened himselfe with a Castle whereon hee had planted three field pieces, but after so much time spent to decide the difference, the English pressed so hard upon them, so that they fled out of the Towne leaving their Ordnance for Sir *Richard Greneville* to carry home with him, their hast being such that they were either too hot or too heaveic.

Colonel *Vavaer* obtained a Castle from the Lord *Plunket*, wherein was great store of Amunition, where he slew 50. Rebels, and tooke the Lady *Plunket* prisoner, with her two Ions which were sent to Dublin.

These are the chiefe of our proceedings in Ireland



And pray for me at the next returne bee infor-  
med what hath passed betweene the King and  
Parliament since your last letter, and in returne I  
shall gratifie you with the like courtesie from  
hence. So direct

Dundalk, Aug. 26. 1642. Your friend to be  
commanded,

Patrick Kilborne.

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Colonel Mordaunt obtained a Cattle from the  
Lord Plunket wherein was great store of Ammu-  
nition, where he slew 50. Rebels, and took the  
Lady Plunket prisoner, with her two sons which  
were sent to D. Blin.

These are the chief of our proceedings in Ire-  
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